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House set to eye pension reform

The second week of Part 2 of the 2013 regular session of the Kentucky General Assembly saw a flurry of new bills being filed, bringing the total in the House to 409. The last day to file new bills in the House was Tuesday.

A number of bills cleared the House, and I will take this opportunity to discuss a few. One bill was House Bill 3, appropriately called the "Human Trafficking Victims Rights Act." I was proud to be a co-sponsor of this legislation which cracks down on the crime of human trafficking and makes provisions for the protection of the youth who have been victimized by the horrific acts of those who prey on vulnerable children. State law enforcement and prosecutors from across the commonwealth joined forces in support of this bill.

House Bill 47 was also passed. This legislation allows someone convicted of a single incident of a violation, a misdemeanor or a Class D felony to petition the court to have his or her record expunged if the per-

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(R-Marion)
House District 4



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son has not been convicted of another violation, misdemeanor or felony within five years. The county attorney and the victim of the crime are to be notified and will have the right to testify before the record is expunged. I voted for passage.

House Bill 49 was also passed. This bill establishes a garnishment process for those who have defaulted on their school loans. I voted for the measure.

I voted no on House Bill 184, a bill that created a new administrative body to be attached to the Office of the Governor. The Early Childhood Advisory Council, in my opinion, was redundant. While the intent of the legislation is commendable, we are well past the time where we can create bodies

that are tasked with increasing subsidies and give monetary awards without first cutting government spending to offset the increased burden to the taxpayer. We simply can no longer afford to do this. I will support this legislation if money is taken from another body to fund the council.

Among legislation generating the most discussion in Frankfort are a number of bills that deal with the issue of a burgeoning debt in the Kentucky Retirement Systems. Senate Bill 2 cleared that chamber and is awaiting a hearing in the House State Government Committee. This bill mirrors what the governor's pension reform committee suggested. I anticipate that many changes will be suggested in committee.

So far, however, no bill has been passed by both the House and Senate.

Last week, I reported that I submitted House Bill 267 to protect our Second and 10th Amendment rights. Because of questions about how the bill was worded, I

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ways:

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withdrew House Bill 267 and introduced House Bill 382 in its place. House Bill 382 is a much more straight-forward piece of legislation that prohibits the enforceability of any new

federal law, rule, regulation, or order relating to the ownership or registration of certain firearms, magazines or other firearms accessories. This bill has been sent to the Judiciary Committee for

its consideration.

I submitted a resolution that Rep. Will Coursey (D-Symsonia) co-sponsored, House Resolution 88, urging the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers not to restrict boater access above and below dams on the Cumberland River. I was pleased to work with Livingston County Judge Executive Chris Lasher and Lyon County Judge-Executive Wade White on this issue that is so important to the boaters and fishermen in the district.

As always, I look forward to hearing from you; your input is most welcome. Be sure to visit my website at LynnBechler.com and 'Like' my Facebook page to receive my updates.

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Legalizing hemp, school safety among Senate activity

There was no lack of action last week in Frankfort. With an intensity seldom seen this early in a legislative session, committee rooms, hallways and legislative chambers were buzzing with discussion, debate and consideration of important bills from morning to night.

A range of bills aimed at improving our commonwealth in a variety of ways were approved by the Senate last week.

In an effort to boost the economy and support Kentucky farmers, Senate Bill 50 was approved by a 31-6 vote. The measure would regulate the growing of industrial hemp in Kentucky if the crop is legalized by the federal government.

Supporters of the measure say that Kentucky's climate and mode of

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cultivation would make hemp an ideal alternative crop for tobacco farmers in the state. They also tout the economic benefits of added jobs from the production of goods made with hemp, including ropes, fabrics and plastics.

If the bill becomes law, Kentucky farmers would still have to wait for the federal ban to be lifted to begin growing the crops. Members of the commonwealth's congressional delegation told

state lawmakers last week that they are working in Washington to do just that, even filing legislation to do so.

Senate Bill 43 would make it easier for physicians' assistants to work in Kentucky. The measure would change our credentialing standards to more closely match those of surrounding states. We hope this would encourage more physicians' assistants to stay in the commonwealth to provide much-needed health service to our citizens.

Senate Bill 10 would cap the state's general fund debt at 6 percent of revenues. Six percent is a level generally accepted by the bond-rating agencies and the threshold the legislature has historically attempted to operate

within.

The measure excludes debt for universities, the Kentucky Housing Authority and other agencies using funds outside the general fund, including the stand-alone road fund.

Senate Bill 23, passed unanimously, would allow courts to review DNA evidence after a person has been convicted of a violent felony. This is a simple act of justice to help people prove their innocence. DNA evidence frequently convicts the guilty; it should also be available to exonerate the innocent.

Based on recommendations from the Kentucky Center on School Safety, Senate Bill 8 would put comprehensive emergency management response plans, developed with the

aid of local first responders, in all Kentucky school districts. The bill would require severe weather, fire, lockdown and other safety drills to be completed each school year. Prepared schools are safe schools and the safety of our children is always a top concern.

These bills now go to the House for consideration.

This is just a small sample of the bills we considered last week. Each day, bills as diverse as the varying concerns of this great state's hard-working citizens are taken up in our committees and chambers. While every bill may not affect every person, every Kentuckian is ultimately affected by the work we do. I encourage you to get involved in the work that impacts you.

This legislative session is nearly half over, but there is still plenty of time for you to get involved. Committee meetings and chamber proceedings are open to the public and aired on KET—including online streaming on the KET website. If you cannot drive up, tune in or log in.

As always, I would like to hear from you.

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Frankfort looking to save lives, make money off cigarette laws

If only Natasha Harris and John Alleman had lived some place where government cared about their welfare just a bit more.

It seems that both Harris and Alleman died from one of America's favorite past-times, consuming junk food. If they had lived in such a caring place as, say, New York City, where the intake of colas and trans fats are restricted, Harris would not likely have died from a daily overdose of soft drinks and Alleman could have avoided the deadly heart attack surely prompted by eating too many 10,000-calorie burgers.

Harris, doctors revealed last week, died in 2010 due in large part to her consumption of 10 liters of

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My 2¢ Worth

Coke a day. The 30-year-old consumed more than 2 pounds of sugar and almost 1,000 milligrams of caffeine in liquid form each day. Well before death, she lost all of her teeth.

For comparison, the average American consumes 5.5 ounces of added sugar—those found in junk food—per day. Your morning cup of Folgers contains about 100 milligrams of caffeine.

Despite Harris' uber-consumption of junk, she wasn't even American. She was from New Zealand, a cluster of islands off Australia's southeast coast.

Alleman, meantime, lived in Sin City—Las Vegas. He was the unofficial spokesman for and regular customer at the Heart Attack Grill, home of such high-calorie menu items as the Quadruple Bypass Burger, Flatliner Fries, Butterfat Shake, Full Sugar Coke and for the weight-consciousness, the 6,000-calorie Double Bypass Burger.

Again, for contrast, the suggested energy intake for an average person is 2,000 to 2,500 calories a day.

Alleman, 52, is not alone in his penalty for gluttony at the eatery. This "Taste

Worth Dying For," the restaurant's slogan, has given us numerous heart attack victims over the years.

Aside from their uncomfortable deaths, both Harris and Alleman died happy—well, at least doing what they wanted to do, even if it wasn't wise. But had they lived where the powers that be cared more, they might still be with us. After all, government knows best, right?

Fortunately, we appear to have that compassion in Kentucky, at least when it comes to cigarettes. Three-dozen cities and counties have already taken it upon themselves to see that

lungs stay clean and crud-free by outlawing public smoking. A proposed

statewide ban is also making its appearance in Frankfort again this winter, seeking to save private entrepreneurs from the freedom to decide what is best for business.

It's hard to argue the fiscal and physical benefits of such a prohibition, particularly when tied to state health care costs. Why not go all in, outlawing tobacco completely?

But wait... Kentucky is the nation's No. 2 tobacco-producing state, and 3 percent of the state's revenue is from tobacco taxes. Lawmakers are even looking to increase this sin tax to further close fiscal gaps.

You can't continue to ride the same thoroughbred you're looking to ship off to

the glue factory, can you? So it seems Frankfort is stuck somewhere between maintaining a commonwealth and a common-health.

I'm sure they'll get it right, though. Thirty-six other states have already declared martial law against smoking. Heck, even Russia is halfway there.

Too bad for Natasha Harris and John Alleman there were no loving government mandates to protect them from their own self-destructive choices.

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Law should have warned of escapee

To the editor

After reading The Press' coverage and follow-up on its blog about the escaped prisoner from the local detention center, I'm wondering why the state police and/or local police did not advise the residents who live in the vicinity where this prisoner was holed up of his presence so we could protect ourselves.

tect ourselves.

We live directly across from the school bus garage on West Elm Street, and it would have been helpful to know that a "dangerous" criminal was hiding out near our house on a Sunday morning when we were all home. We can see the state garage from our front windows and the former Turner and Conyer sawmill is just to the west of our house.

I didn't even know there was an escapee until I heard it

Girl Scout Cookies more than snacks

To the editor

Everyone loves Girl Scout Cookies. But did you know that with every Samoa or Thin Mint you buy, you are helping build strong, successful girls?

With Girl Scout Cookie booths set for the coming month, this is a great time to talk about what girls gain from Girl Scouting. It is a good time

to look at why we all have a stake in helping today's girls succeed.

For 100 years, Girl Scouts has provided girls with ways to learn and lead. Our cookie program is a key part of our mission to build girls of courage, confidence and character who make the world a better place.

Girls who sell Girl Scout Cookies learn teamwork. They create business plans, and work with their customers. They learn to set goals, make decisions, manage money and behave ethically. Think about how vital these skills are in all walks of life.

Recent national research found that girls who take part in Girl Scouting graduate high school and go to college in higher numbers. As adults, they are more active in their communities and earn more income over a lifetime.

So, when you see local Girl Scouts working cookie booths outside your favorite stores over the coming weeks, remember that with every cookie

you buy, you're investing in girls. Through this program, girls learn they can do anything; be anything. That's a pretty amazing return on a

\$3.50 investment in a box of cookies.

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Crittenden Grand Jury hands down 11 indictments last week

STAFF REPORT

The Crittenden County Grand Jury indicted 11 individuals last week on a variety of charges. A grand jury does not determine guilt or innocence. It merely decides whether there is enough evidence to continuing prosecuting a case in circuit court as a felony. Indicted last Thursday were the following:

■ Brittany N. Beard, 18, Marion was indicted on charges of enhanced first-degree complicity to trafficking in a controlled substance (methamphetamine), a class B felony; enhanced complicity to possession of marijuana, a class D felony; enhanced complicity to possession of drug paraphernalia, a class D felony; and complicity to second-degree wanton endangerment, a class A misdemeanor.

The charges stem from a Kentucky State Police investigation that led to the discovery on Dec. 15 of an alleged large amount of meth, a loaded AR-15 rifle and other drug-related items at a home in rural Crittenden County where Beard was found along with her father, siblings and her own child.

■ Barry K. Beard, 42, of Marion was indicted on charges of enhanced first-degree complicity to trafficking in a controlled substance (methamphetamine), a class B felony; enhanced complicity to possession of marijuana, a class D felony; enhanced complicity to possession of drug paraphernalia, a class D felony; complicity to second-degree wanton endanger-



Beard

Detention center prisoner census

The following is an inmate census of the 133-bed Crittenden County Detention Center as of Monday:

CLASSIFICATION	MALE	FEMALE
Federal	2	1
State	73	17
Crittenden	12	7
Other	3	0
Gender total	90	25
Total population:	115	

Last week, 28 detention center work release inmates put in 1,336 hours of community service, saving taxpayers approximately \$9,686.

ment, a class A misdemeanor; and, first-degree persistent felony offender. The charges stem from a Kentucky State Police investigation that led to the discovery on Dec. 15 of an alleged large amount of meth, a loaded AR-15 rifle and other drug-related items at a home in rural Crittenden County where Beard was found along with his daughter, children and grandchild.

■ Larry Joseph Edging, 35, of Marion was indicted on charges of complicity to first-degree burglary, a class B felony; and complicity to theft, a class D felony. According to court records, Edging is accused of taking a 9mm Ruger handgun, PlayStation 3, compound bow, medications and other items Jan. 6 from a home on Highland Circle in Marion.

■ Jonathan M. Mathieu, 21, of Marion was indicted on charges of complicity to first-degree burglary, a class B felony; and complicity to theft, a class D felony. According to court records, Mathieu is accused of taking

a 9mm Ruger handgun, PlayStation 3, compound bow, medications and other items Jan. 6 from a home on Highland Circle in Marion.

■ Amber N. Vickery, 21, of Marion was indicted on charges of complicity to first-degree burglary, a class B felony; and theft, a class D felony. According to court records, Vickery is accused of taking a 9mm Ruger handgun, PlayStation 3, compound bow, medications and other items Jan. 6 from a home on Highland Circle in Marion.

■ Corey M. Winn, 27, of Marion was indicted on 15 counts of second-degree criminal possession of a forged instrument. Court records say Winn is accused of writing 15 checks between Nov. 12 and Nov. 27 on the account of another person and cashing those checks, which amounted to \$1,499.25.

■ James M. Sitar, 33, of Marion was indicted on two counts of second-degree rape of a female less than 14 years old. Court records allege that Sitar engaged in sexual intercourse with a girl under the age of consent in his residence on two occasions between March 30 and April 8 of last year and on or about June 23 of last year. The case was investigated by Kentucky State Police.

■ Terry Bricken, no age given, of Vine Grove, Ky., was indicted on a charge of flagrant non-support. Court records say that Bricken owes \$11,602.44 in child support.

■ Michael Elliott, 38, of West Point, Ky., was indicted on a charge of flagrant non-support. Court records say that Elliott owes \$5,597.72 in child support.

■ Jason S. Arkenberg, 38,



Arkenberg

of Louisville was indicted on charges of second-degree escape, a class D felony; two counts of third-degree burglary, class D felonies; theft, a class A misdemeanor; and third-degree criminal mischief, a class B misdemeanor. The charges stem from Arkenberg's escape from the Crittenden County Detention Center on Feb. 10 and his breaking into two buildings in Marion where he allegedly damaged and stole property. Arkenberg was a trusty on work detail, emptying garbage behind the jail when he walked off earlier this month. His freedom was short lived as Marion police found him later that evening hiding at the former Turner and Conyer Sawmill on the west side of town.

■ Laura Jean Wallhead, 29, of Marion was indicted on charges of complicity to third-degree burglary, a class D felony; complicity to third-degree criminal mischief, a class B misdemeanor. According to court records, Wallhead is believed to have worked in concert with another person in the burglary of the 88 Dip restaurant on Feb. 8. Restaurant owners say about \$1,700 in cash, coins and checks were taken from the restaurant after it closed on a Friday night earlier this month. Wallhead, who was employed at the Dip, is believed to have gone to the restaurant after hours, crawled through a window and taken a money bag hidden inside the building.

Court of Appeals upholds three circuit court cases

STAFF REPORT

The Kentucky Court of Appeals has upheld three decisions by the Crittenden County Circuit Court.

The first involved, Rodney Gibson, who appealed his probation revocation, action which was taken July 14, 2011, after Circuit Judge Rene Williams learned that Gibson had been terminated from the Drug Court Program. Gibson was ordered to serve the remainder of his five-year sentence from a 2007 trafficking in a controlled substance within 1,000 feet of a school conviction. Originally, he had served just over two years of the sentence when he was granted shock probation and enrolled in the Drug Court Program.

In revoking his probation, the court found that Gibson had violated terms of Drug Court on 15 occasions.

In his appeal, Gibson argued that Judge Williams and the circuit court administers the drug court program and were not independent arbiters of his probation hearing. He also alleged the court committed errors in the hearing and claimed the court violated his due process rights due to the Commonwealth's lack of compliance with the minimum requirements for notice and disclosure of evidence. He cited 2011 legislation known as House Bill 463, which was aimed at curbing the cost of incarceration without compromising public safety. He alleged that based on the new law, he should be allowed to continue free on probation.

The state appeals court affirmed the revocation on all grounds, finding that there was neither abuse of the court's discretion nor evidence supporting Gibson's claim that he deserved another chance on probation after 15 violations.

The second case involved a local teen, Joshua Bean, who was removed from juvenile court and his case taken to circuit court where he was charged with complicity to first-degree burglary and complicity to theft of a firearm. Bean appealed because he said the court had not met its burden of proof to charge him as a youthful offender in adult court. The Kentucky Court of Appeals ruled in favor of Crittenden Circuit Court, finding that the trial court did not abuse its discretion by granting the motion transferring Bean to circuit court for trial



Williams

as a youthful offender.

The final case upheld by the appeals court was that of Tiffany Lanham, who on Oct. 6, 2008, pled guilty to two counts of trafficking in a controlled substance within 1,000 yards of a school by complicity and one count of second-degree trafficking in a controlled substance by complicity. A month later, Lanham was given shock probation by the court. In 2011, probation and parole officers testified that Lanham had failed to report as required by terms of her probation to an officer for two straight months. The court also learned that Lanham had been charged with receiving stolen property in Lyon County and failed to report the situation to her probation officer.

Lanham appealed the revocation, claiming she hadn't had fair notice that the court would use the situation in Lyon County against her at the revocation hearing and that the court should have considered sanctions other than revocation. The appeals court ruled against the defendant and found that Crittenden Circuit Court had acted within its discretion.

Marion Police Department activity

The following is a monthly activity report for Marion Police Department, reflecting information from January 2013 as compared to the previous month, December 2012. The information is provided by Police Chief Ray O'Neal.

CATEGORY	JAN. 2012	DEC. 2012
Miles driven/patrolled	2,965	1,964
Criminal investigations	18	28
Domestics	9	12
Felony Arrests	5	15
Misdemeanor arrests	7	4
Non-criminal arrests	3	0
DUI arrests	3	2
Criminal summons served	7	0
Traffic citations	19	18
Traffic warnings	10	10
Parking tickets	3	0
Other citations	29	37
Traffic accidents	4	12
Security checks/alarms	82	56
Calls for service	293	274

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January Rocket Role Models



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Third through fifth grade

Rocket Role Models are (front, from left) Luke Mundy, Callie Brown, Aliyah Frutiger, Josh Norris, Kobe Adams, Ethan Curnel, Breanna Fletcher, (center) Hannah Faughn, Jasper Morrison, Devin Corley, Sondra Hunter, Lance Kayse, Hailey Mathieu, Lathen Easley, Lilly Perryman, Jaelyn Duncan, (back) Ashton Binkley, Caitlyn Riley, Michael Kirk, Lynzee Lynn, Anzie Gobin, Justin Phillips, Kyonna Ross and Matthew Conger. Not pictured are McKenzie Quertermous and Aaron Locke.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Kindergarten through second grade

Rocket Role Models are (front, from left) Karli Beavers, Tyler Braden, Xavier Cozart, Summer McGinnis, Anessia Landon, Cambree McKinley, Landon Woodall, Leland Murphy, (center) Destiny Reed, Anthony Morain, Ashayla McDowell, Damyon Toy, Kira Chaney, Cayden Tramel, Abbey Swinford, Jaxon Hatfield, Jayson Ford, (back) Carly Towery, Wyatt Hodge, Nathan Bozeman, Laken Hunt, Alex Jones, Tanner Campbell, Genesis Calderon, Zack Damron and Allie Beard. Not pictured are Tristan Long and Braylynn Ennis.

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during a brief period of the afternoons, did not justify such a significant upgrade of the intersection.

But the consolation prize will make the intersection among the first in western Kentucky to be outfitted with some of the transportation cabinet's newest technology.

"The signal was due for some upgrades anyway," Todd said.

The new traffic-detection gadgets, descriptively called pucks because of their resemblance in size and shape to the scoring disks used in hockey, replace traditional wire loop detectors that are difficult to install and maintain, explained Todd. The pucks operate on a wireless system that cuts down on electrical maintenance issues.

To install the pucks, a hole is drilled in the pavement, they are then dropped in and covered with high-strength epoxy to protect them. The pucks contain a battery that can last up to 10 years or longer.

Upgrades at the intersection will make the downtown intersection the fifth or sixth location in the 12 counties comprising KyTC District 1 to be outfitted with the new technology. New, larger lights placed at a higher level will also be a part of the overall improvements.

"By doing this, it makes traffic flow more efficient," Todd said.

The changes will not affect Marion Fire



KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION CABINET
Above, workers with a Kentucky Transportation road crew install a new "puck" traffic-detection device at an intersection in Hopkinsville. At right, the device, which is buried in the pavement and covered with epoxy, is shown.

Department's control over intersection lights when a fire run is made. The department stops traffic in all directions except along the West Bellville Street/Ky. 91 North segment which is made green to clear traffic from the exit way of the fire trucks.



School board mulls \$100,000 payment to insurance program

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County Board of Education is being asked to pay in more than \$100,000 to a little-used workers' compensation and liability insurance program to help meet a \$60 million shortfall in the state trust.

At a work session last week, board members agreed more information is needed before the district pays into the Kentucky School Boards Insurance Trust (KSBIT), which is asking participating school districts across the state to help close its fiscal gap.

Most of Kentucky's school districts have paid into the low-cost insurance program, but the local district has not used KSBIT since 2004. Nevertheless, the district is being

asked to pay for the years it did participate. The estimated total assessment is \$103,722.

Crittenden County Superintendent Dr. Rachel Yarbrough said KSBIT officials stated the estimates are high and the final amount districts are charged may be lower. KSBIT is offering districts the option to pay the assessments outright or through bonding over a period of years.

Dr. Yarbrough said she and many other school superintendents across the state have concerns regarding the amount of money owed to KSBIT. She said many more questions need to be answered and facts gathered before school districts can properly address the issue.

Administrator to set parking limits

STAFF REPORT

Marion City Administrator Mark Bryant was given the authority at Monday's city council meeting to designate downtown business parking spots as short-term.

The measure will allow for no more than 15-minute parking in the areas established by Bryant. Signs will be placed in the affected areas to notify those parking along the street. Violators will be subject

to a \$10 fine.

"The only place at this time I would anticipate putting in a short-term parking limit is directly across from the dry cleaners," said Bryant, referring to Coach's Cleaners, owned by Councilman Frank Pierce. "The space is obviously his easiest customer access point, and if someone parks there for the full two hour limit (or longer), it really puts a burden on him."

County borders clutter state maps

Though Kentucky has a little more than one-third of the population of Ohio and 4,000 fewer square miles, Kentucky has 32 more counties than its northern neighbor.

State Rep. Adam Koenig (R-Erlanger) for the third year in a row has filed a bill to make it easier for two or more of Kentucky's 120 counties to merge.

The procedure in the bill

would require an ordinance by the fiscal court or petition by residents to put the proposed consolidation on the ballot in the counties. It would also set guidelines for transferring taxing districts and allow voters to pick the county seat.

Rep. Koenig is also the sponsor of a bill aimed at eliminating the constitutional office of constable.

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Several black cemeteries dot county

(Editor's note: In Part 2 of her February series, Brenda Underdown recognizes Black History Month with some more stories involving black citizens of the community.)

The story of Matilda Threlkeld, who is also thought to be buried in Marion's old cemetery, was written in the Dec. 22, 1880, edition of The Crittenden Press. Her log cabin sat on West Bellville Street near where the Cumberland Presbyterian Church sits today.

"In the quiet little village of Marion, where the eyes of the people have never fallen upon a President from father Washington down to Jas. A. Garfield, and where the lineage of either of the illustrious has never been knowingly looked upon, the discovery of a descendant of the "Sage of Monticello" might awaken a ruffle of astonishment.

"Yet within the walls of a poorly-chinked, ill-constructed log cabin in the suburbs of our out-of-the-way village may be found an ancient woman through whose veins the blood of Thomas Jefferson is slowly ebbing. 'Aunt'" Matilda Threlkeld is verging upon the age of four score. And Old Time has pressed his blighting fingers upon her until the aged woman can no more leave the miserable hovel she calls home.

"According to her own testament, she was born in Albermarle County, Va., and is a daughter of Charles Lewis, whose mother was a sister of Thomas Jefferson. The brothers—Randolph, Charles and Lilburn—emigrated to this state when 'Aunt' Matilda was but a child. After remaining in Gallatin County a short time, they permanently settled in Livingston County where 'Aunt' Matilda was raised, being hired out as a servant girl. Subsequently, she came to Marion, which has since been her home.

"Fluent in conversation with an active mind and a memory unshattered by time, she relates many his-



Brenda Underdown
Crittenden County Historian

Forgotten Passages

torical events in a well-delineated manner that indicated a parentage above the mediocrity. She remembers well the soldiers of Gen. (Andrew) Jackson, and can relate incidents connected with the War of 1812. She told the writer, which illustrates the longevity of her mind, as follows: 'When Jackson was fighting, I was living in old Salem. A number of his soldiers took dinner at my master's one day. (With) whiskey being scarce, one of the soldiers drank during the meal 30 cups of coffee. I remember distinctly of handing him that number, for I was waiting upon the table and counted every cup. My arms ached when I was done passing it.

"Among other things, she remembers the Lewis tragedy that occurred about five miles from Smithland when she was 12 years old, an account of which was published in the Livingston County Cumberland Wave some seven years ago."

Some other obituaries from The Crittenden Press tell us of some history of the black citizens that lived and died here.

March 11, 1894: "On the 27th of April, 'Uncle' Amos Woods, one of the old-time, old-style Negroes, died at his home in the county at the age of 84 years. He was an honest, industrious old man, one who had the respect of his own people as well as that of the white folks who knew him. He was raised by the late Henry Woods, father of our county clerk, and to the day of his death, was strongly attached to the members of the Woods family."

He has no marked monument.

Oct. 13, 1904: "Tom Brown, the famous colored 'bone beater,' died Friday night at the county poor house, where he had been confined for the last two years."

March 21, 1912: "Thursday morning, March 14, 1912, Mary Fowler, colored, probably the oldest citizen of the county, died at the home of her son, Wylie McCain, on South Main Street in this city of the diseases incident to old age.

"She had been twice married but both her husbands died. By her first husband, she was the mother of 11 children, four of whom survive and all of whom live in this city, being Harriet Lee, her oldest child, now 83 years old; Mary, Wylie and Elijah McCain. Her second husband, Louis Fowler, died several years ago, and since his death, she has resided with her son, Wylie.

"The old family Bible of the Thompson family to whom she belonged before the war, is now in possession of her daughter, Harriet Lee, and shows her date of birth Aug. 1, 1812. Had she lived only a few months (longer), she would have rounded out the 100 years.

"She was a member of the colored M.E. church, and her funeral was preached there by Father James of Princeton, and her remains were laid to rest in the cemetery of her people north of the city to await the resurrection morn."

She has no monument.

I am sure there are numerous unmarked, and now lost forever in time, black cemeteries scattered around the county. The ones that I have knowledge of include the following:

■ Mt. Pleasant, which is in the Bells Mines community. This cemetery is in such a remote area that if you haven't been familiar with it in the past, is it almost impossible to find. It is on top of a hill overlook-

ing Cool Springs Hollow off Bells Mines Road. It is a large cemetery, but with only a few graves marked with tombstones. The rest are identified with sandstone rocks or sunken places with no markers. It was formerly the location of a black settlement. From old history, it is told they once ran a still located near the spring that ran at the foot of the hill.

■ The Hughes and Wilson Colored Cemetery located off of the Turkey Knob Road in a grove of trees. When last visited in 2004, there were only five tombstones with engraving found, but as many as 15 unmarked graves were also located.

Two who are buried there were veterans of the colored forces in the Union Army. One is Joseph W. Hughes, who died Nov. 19, 1904. His obituary tells that he was a most influential and highly-respected colored man in the county. The other, Robert Hughes, died Dec. 20, 1926, at the age of 94 years old. His obituary says he was a veteran of the Union Army, and during slavery, he was owned by the late Julia Hughes.

Robert and Joseph Hughes are also part of the African-American Civil War Memorial located at Washington, D.C. Their names are engraved on Plaque A-19.

At one time, this was a cared-for cemetery, for when last visited it had an ornate iron fence around it.

■ Another large black cemetery is located on Zion Cemetery Road, which is near the Levias community. It is known as the Mt. Zion Colored Cemetery, not to be confused with the Mt. Zion Church cemetery near Mattoon. This cemetery has several monuments, but most are sandstones or unmarked graves. In past years, a nearby neighbor, Charles Glore, has cleaned up this old cemetery and refurbished the sign leading to the cemetery.

■ There were also a considerable number of blacks who lived in and around the



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A rare, old photo shows one of the community's citizens, Tom Brown, who at one time was employed by T.H. Cochran.

Tolu area. Although not much history is known of it, there was a large, two-story colored church located close to the 8-mile marker on Ky. 297 close to Tolu. After the church was discontinued, the building was occupied as a home by the Dalton family for many years.

Ed Belt, now deceased, also told me that there was a fairly good-sized black cemetery located somewhere in the same vicinity, but that it had only sandstones and did not have any marked stones. I don't know if anything is left of it now or not.

Also in this area was a colored settlement known as Jetnico. An old article in The Crittenden Press dated Jan. 4, 1894 tells that at Jetnico, in the Hurricane neighborhood, Christmas was celebrated by James Ray, D. Todd and Wm. Todd, all colored, in an inglorious way. The two

Todds were pitted against Ray. Several shots were fired. The Todds used a pistol and were bad marksmen. Ray used a shotgun, and D. Todd's face bore the marks of his excellence as a shot. Squire LaRue held them in bond to answer any indictment the grand jury might find.

From July 19, 1900, an item says the colored Methodists are arranging for a big, 12-day meeting at Blue Springs Church near Tolu. They were expecting a big meeting.

■ Located just a short distance from Tolu on Ky. 135, across the highway from where the old Wallace Mansion known as Ridgeway used to be, there is another black cemetery. It is known as the Franklin Farm Cemetery. It was at one time a large cemetery, but only with a few monuments with engraving on them. It has been unkempt for many, many years.

New book studies history of Hardin County, Fords Ferry

BY JASON TRAVIS

STAFF WRITER

For Patsy Ledbetter, it's always special to visit Crittenden County and the farm that has been in her family for more than 100 years.

"I love to cross that river and go down to old Fords Ferry," the Cave In Rock, Ill. resident said. "We have a farm at Fords Ferry that belonged to my great-grandfather."

Ledbetter recently published "The Way It Was in Hardin County," a book that includes history about Hardin County, Ill., Fords Ferry and the Ohio River. The 400-page hardback includes more than 500 pictures.

"If I tell a story or tell about something, I have a picture to prove it," Ledbet-

ter said.

A retired teacher, Ledbetter hadn't considered writing a book until she substituted in her grand-daughter's classroom. After the students completed their school work, she would tell them stories about the local history of the area.

One day, a student raised her hand and suggested Ledbetter write a book.

While the seed was planted, it didn't take root until she was encouraged again to write a book after



Ledbetter

speaking to three women on the steamboat Delta Queen who had just completed a writing class.

The books have been available since Christmas. Ledbetter said half of the books published have been sold.

They have been shipped to New York, Texas, Indiana and as far away as Utah.

"We're selling these books like hotcakes," she said. "I just sold one a minute ago out my front door," she said last week.

To obtain a copy of the book, you can contact Ledbetter at her residence at (618) 289-3801.

The price of the book is \$60, plus handling charges.

Ledbetter has a passion for teaching and sharing the local history of the area. The book is yet another

chapter in the educator's career.

She taught 31 years at the third-grade level in Hardin County's school system. She was a substitute teacher for an 14 additional years.

"I loved every minute of it.

My grandmother taught at Fords Ferry. My mother taught in Hardin County. I taught in Hardin County. Our daughter teaches in Hardin County now. Our granddaughter teaches in Princeton, Ind.," she said. "That's five generations of

teachers."

With the book being received so well, there might be another chapter to write in her career. Ledbetter hinted she might consider writing a second volume.

Shelter to pass out vouchers

STAFF REPORT

The Crittenden County Animal Shelter in Marion will pass out spay and neuter vouchers from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., Saturday, March 2 to the residents of Crittenden and Livingston counties.

The vouchers are \$25 and payable the day of handout. They are good for male or female, dog or cat at the several participating veterinarians. Since quantities are limited, there will be a limit of one per household. The vouchers are good for 90 days and there are no refunds.

Participating veterinarians are the Crittenden County Animal Clinic in Marion, Flannery Veterinary Clinic in Paducah, Lyon County Animal Hospital in Eddyville, Princeton Veterinary Clinic in Princeton, Rogers Veterinary Clinic in Princeton, Stone Veterinary Clinic in Sturgis, Tradewater Animal Clinic in Providence and Williams Veterinary Clinic in Eddyville.

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While life may seem so very short, eternity is forever

It seems such a short time ago I was running over the hills overlooking the Ohio River and walking to Hebron School through fields, climbing fences and picking wild grapes on the way home.

One of the sweetest highlights of those years was when I was 12 years old. I got to be the one to take a sweet, beautiful little five-year-old nephew, Bruce Easley, to school with me. I can still see his blonde curls and his little blue and white sunsuit.

I'd carry him as long as I could and then let him walk awhile. I'd lift him over the fences and was so proud to mother him all that day.

Now, he is gone, and how short his life was. Back then, we did not think of life being so fleeting.

It seemed I would never get out of school; then on to more learning; then marriage; then building my busi-



nesses; then giving God my sins and my life. Then, before I hardly knew it, my precious mother was gone; then my sisters, brothers and my dear Kenny.

My family has always been the lifeboat of my heart. When you begin to lose members, you really realize just how short life is. You realize how the precious memories fill your life and the pain over the loss of loved ones makes you wish you had done more for them.

It is so hard to believe how

many years I've spent on this earth. It seems you go to bed one night and wake up the next morning and years have flown by.

Most of my graduating class has already gone to their reward. I look about me and so many have left this earth much younger than myself. We never know when our last breath will be taken.

It only takes one second for our hearts to stop. So many in my family and extended family have been snatched away in an instant.

My warning to all; how true the words of Job: "My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle." He was an old man when he said that.

James 4:13-15 (paraphrased) also reminds us of the shortness of life: "Make your plans, but remember to say, 'If it be God's will,' for you do not know what will be on the morrow. For what is

your life? It is even as a vapor that appears for a little while and then vanishes away."

How wise to use our short life following the One who owns it and gave His only Son to buy it back from the devil who stole it to give us a chance to live it to glorify Him.

I beg of all to think about your life. Does it bring glory and respect to your parents, your children, your spouse and your community?

Will you be remembered and admired as a respected, God-fearing, character-building, God-loving, holy person or a detriment to your family and community?

Do you live so that you can say as Paul, "Follow me as I follow Christ"?

"For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that everyone may receive the things done in his body, according to that he

has done, whether it be good or whether it be evil," reads 2nd Corinthians 4:10.

God is so good to all of us and none of us deserve His goodness, forgiveness or the honor and pleasure of serving Him only through His agape love.

"For he that will love life and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil and his lips that they speak no guile; let him hate evil and do good; let him seek peace and follow it. For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and His ears are open unto their prayers; but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil," 1st Peter 3:10-12 tells us.

If you fail at this, then this question is relevant: "Or do you despise the riches of His goodness and patience and long-suffering, not knowing that the goodness of God leads you to repentance? But

after your hardness and non-repentant heart you treasure up unto yourself wrath against the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God, who will render to every man according to his deeds," reads Romans 2:4-6.

I don't want anyone to go to hell, nor does God. Listen to Him. "...I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from him way and live: turn you, turn you from your evil ways, for why will you die? ...I will judge every one after his ways," Ezekiel 33:11,20 explains.

(Rev. Lucy Tedrick of Marion shares her views regularly in this newspaper. Her opinions are her own, and are not necessarily those of the newspaper.)

Benefit successful for Hampton Church

STAFF REPORT

A weekend benefit for North Livingston Baptist Church, which was decimated by a January tornado, was a huge success according to its pastor, Danny Starrick of Marion.

New Union General Baptist Church in Lola hosted Saturday's event which was put together by Kent Wilcox with his group, Refresh. Several artists and churches joined together for

the evening of food and fellowship.

Starrick said estimates put the number in attendance at around 200. However, he believes that number is perhaps too low.

"It was a packed house from 2 through about 8:30 (p.m.) and several came and went through the evening," he said.

The event raised \$6,658 for tornado relief to help rebuild the Hampton church.

Church notes

■ A fish fry will be held at 5 to 7 p.m., Friday at St. Williams Catholic Church in Marion.

■ Mexico Baptist Church will be hosting a wild game supper at 5 p.m., on Feb 23. Anyone with wild game to donate for this supper should contact Robert Kirby.

■ The Pinckneyville Baptist Church outside of Salem invites you to experience the best in next generation worship music in a challenging message of hope from noted author and speaker Jamie Ragle at 5 p.m., on Feb. 23. If you need a ride contact Bro. Jimmy Wring, 217-1783 or Gary Driver 988-3354.

■ Sturgis General Baptist Church will have a homecoming at 1:30 p.m., March 3. Featured singers will include The Clarks and the Raineys from Harrisburg, Ill.

■ Upward Practice is scheduled from 6 to 8 p.m., Monday and Thursday at Marion Baptist Church. The FLC Walking Track and Weight Room will be open on Monday and Thursday from 6 to 8 p.m., and Tuesday from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m., and 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

■ Marion Baptist Church will be hosting AWANA for children age 2 through fifth grade at 5:45 p.m.; Youth Bible Study for grades six to 12 at 6:30 p.m.; Financial Peace Class at 5:45 p.m.; Scrapbooking Class at 6:30 p.m.; Women's Bible/Prayer Class at 6:30 p.m.; Men's Bible Study Class at 6:30 p.m.; Revival Principles Class at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call the church at 965-5232.

■ Repton Baptist Church in Mattoon hosts Bible Skills, Drills and Thrills 6 p.m., on Sundays in the fellowship hall. The program uses a fun format to teach children in grades first through sixth Bible skills.

■ The Caldwell and Lyon County Grief Support Group is held at 2 p.m., every Monday in the Caldwell/Lyon Baptist Association building in Princeton. It offers an educated and trained Christian grief counselor who can guide a person through the initial stages of grief and beyond after the loss of a loved one. The group is open to everyone and there is no charge. For more information or directions, call Carmela Lee Chandler at 365-6578. If unable to attend meetings on Monday nights, Bro. Mac Walls can counsel on Saturdays. Call 210-1204 to make an appointment.

Salem Baptist Church welcomes new pastor

STAFF REPORT

Salem Baptist Church has called Charles "Chuck" Ellis to be their senior pastor.

Ellis is a native of southern Illinois, but is not new to Kentucky. He married Pamela Claycomb of Irvington, Ky., in 1980.

While going to seminary, Ellis was the pastor of Garfield Baptist Church in Breckinridge County for five years. He then went to Grayson County for two years.

"We had to return to Illinois to aid in taking care of my daddy, but we are so glad to be back home now," Ellis said. "We have always said that to be where God places you is the most exciting experience there is. Salem is a wonderful community and the church is great.

"I see Salem Baptist as



Ellis

having been strategically, specifically placed where it is to reach this area for Christ. God has given us resources, personnel and a desire

to see what He will do with them."

The church and the new pastor are inviting members of the community to come and experience the "newness and sweetness of God's spirit" they are enjoying during the services.

"Every church has a past, but we want you to be a part of our new future and to grow with us during this journey into God's direction and grace," said Ellis.

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Paducah man dies following tractor rollover in Livingston

STAFF REPORT

A McCracken County man was killed early Friday afternoon off Lola Road in Livingston County in a farm-related accident.

Gerald Dennis "Jerry" Haley, 69, of Paducah was unloading a tractor from a trailer when it overturned, killing him. The victim was in the tractor at the time, around 1:30 p.m.

Haley, also known as "Papa Bear," was a retired mechanic with the Mc-

Cracken County Board of Education. He was a member of the Harley Owners Group and SNR Flat Track Racing, a motorcycle racing circuit.

Surviving family members include two brothers and a sister living in Smithland.



Haley

Liquor petition signatures expected by May; Lyon sales delayed by change

STAFF REPORT

The organizer of a petition in Crittenden County for a countywide referendum on alcohol sales expects to have the requisite number of signatures before summer.

Jerritt Hovey-Brown, who started the petition earlier this month, said last week that by May she should have the required 971 signatures of registered voters in the county to call for a local option election, the first here since 2000. The petition must be turned in to the county clerk for verification of names by mid-August.

Meantime, Lyon County voters have already approved countywide alcohol sales, but will have to wait a while longer before it is legal. According to The Times Leader, magistrates last week approved changes to a draft ordinance regulating liquor sales. A second reading of the ordinance is being delayed until Wednesday.

According to the paper, distance requirements prohibit establishments from selling alcohol within 500 feet of school buildings and 300 feet of parks and churches.

Legislation in Frankfort tied to the City of Eddyville will also have to be enacted to grant greater benefit to the county

through liquor sales. Senate Bill 123, filed by Stan Humphries (R-Cadiz) seeks to reclassify Eddyville, with a population of 2,555, from a city of fifth class to one of fourth class, which requires a population of 3,001 to 7,999.

"The main differences are that a county with a fourth-class city can permit restaurant drink and motel drink licenses by ordinance, can levy an additional regulatory license fee under KRS 243.075 and can permit Sunday alcohol sales by ordinance," Stephen B. Humphress, general counsel with the Kentucky Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control said. "A county with a fifth class city cannot."

Marion is already a fourth-class city, should alcohol sales be legal.

The reclassification sought by Eddyville officials is not uncommon.

"(The state constitution) leaves classification solely in the hands of the legislature," said Lynsey Womack-Denney with the Kentucky Department of Local Government. "Almost every session, at least one city is reclassified outside of its pre-repeal population category. To our knowledge, the practice has never been challenged in court."

Burna Legion post offering new community social day

STAFF REPORT

American Legion Post 217 in Burna invites the public to a special social day each month, beginning on Tuesday. This event will be held the fourth Tuesday of each month as long as interest is shown.

Friends and neighbors may come by for an enjoyable time together. The Ladies Auxiliary will provide lunch beginning at 11 a.m. There will be board games, cards, jigsaw puzzles, crossword, Sudoku, puzzle books and plenty of fellowship available, said Auxiliary member Faye Gibson.

"If the weather permits and someone brings the washers or horseshoes, there might be some friendly competition," she said. "There are just endless possibilities for a good time."

Auxiliary President Terry Black said the purpose of this event is to provide a

chance for those in the community to join together in fellowship the way it was done in the past.

"We want everyone to relax and have a good time," she said. "There is no senior citizens center in Burna, so we wanted to offer our building as a place that our neighbors and friends could gather and connect with old friends and make new ones."

"For those interested in crafts and/or scrapbooking, bring your projects along and enjoy fellowship while you work. The Auxiliary ladies will be working on the military honors quilts and we would be proud to have anyone help us honor all Livingston County military in this way," added Gibson.

The American Legion Post 217 is an alcohol and smoke free facility. It is located on American Legion Drive next door to the Livingston County Middle School at Burna.

The PressBRIEFS

Alert sirens to be tested this Friday

Crittenden County's severe weather alert sirens will be tested again Friday. The 11 county sirens and one inside the City of Marion are tested at noon on the second and fourth Friday of each month.

The alarm will be a 1-minute solid tone, but an actual tornado warning will be a wavering tone for 3 minutes. The differing signals are to acclimate residents to the audible difference between a test and actual warning.

Job fair at Ed-Tech Center on March 2

A job fair hosted by Peoples Plus in Princeton will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. March 2 at the Ed-Tech Center in Marion. For more information, contact the center at 965-9294.

Council OKs new attorney's office

Marion City Council on Monday approved a zoning change to allow a former residential home in the 300 block of North Main Street to become a new business.

Whitfield demands Corps alternatives

U.S. Rep. Ed Whitfield (R-Hopkinsville) on Friday said last week he is demanding the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers consider alternative options to permanent barrel blockades along the Cumberland River to allow conditional boating to river tailwaters for sportsmen and recreational fishermen.

Crittenden County Judge-Executive Perry Newcom has also pled with the Corps to reconsider the blockade.

Correction

Due to a reporting error, a caption in last week's issue of The Crittenden Press misidentified a member of the basketball homecoming court. The caption should have identified the freshman attendant as Katie Travis.

Dickerson

Isabel Dickerson, 101, of Hampton died Feb. 17, 2013, at Crittenden Hospital in Marion.

She was a member of Hampton Baptist Church for over 66 years.

Dickerson is survived by three daughters, Armale Kimberlin, Evelyn Edmonds and Linda Dickerson, all of Hampton; four grandchildren, Kathy and husband Albert Helm, Tim and wife Vanita Edmonds, Mareta and husband Mark Moore and Tina and husband Joe Kemp, all of Hampton; six great-grandchildren; 11 great-great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 69 years, Edd Dickerson; one grandson, Charlie Kimberlin; three brothers; one sister; and her parents, John and Agnes Stewart Dickerson.

Funeral services were Tuesday in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors with Revs. Jim Wring and Danny Starrick officiating. Burial was in Hampton Cemetery.

Condolences may also be left online at boydfuneraldirectors.com.

Cunningham

Jeremy Scott Cunningham, 31, of Smithland died Feb. 10, 2013, at his residence.

Cunningham was a member of Heartland Worship Center of Paducah.

He is survived by two daughters, Taylor L. Cunningham of Gilbertsville and Cassidy A. Cunningham of Reidland; parents, Ed and Tammy Cunningham of Smithland; grandmother and step-grandfather, Blanche and Tom Butler of Lone Oak; grandmother, Joyce Rudolph of Boaz; two brothers, Michael A. Cunningham and Jacob E. Cunningham, both of Smithland; two nieces; and several aunts and uncles.

He was preceded in death by grandfathers, Billy Cunningham and Wade Rudolph.

Funeral services were Feb. 13 at Hughes Funeral Home of Paducah with the Rev. Mickey Brown officiating.

Burial was in Clarks River Cemetery in Graves County.



Orenduff

Janet Sue (Head) Orenduff, 69, of Burna went home to be with the Lord on Feb. 14, 2013, at Baptist Health of Paducah.

She was a retired cook for Mid-South Towing. Orenduff was also active in Cedar Grove United Methodist Church where she played the piano and served wherever she was needed. She was also a member of the Eastern Star in Smithland.

She is survived by two daughters, Theresa Shell of Salem and Vanessa Bender of Lebanon, Tenn.; one son, Eddie Shell of Burna; two step-sons, Michael Orenduff of Lone Oak and Steven Orenduff of Burna; one sister, Karen Downs of Salem; 16 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; two nieces; and one nephew.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Larry Orenduff; one son, Russell "Rusty" Kitchens; and her parents, Hayden and Marie Poindexter Head.

Funeral services were Sunday in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors with the Rev. Mike Grimes officiating. Burial was in Smithland Cemetery.

Condolences may also be left online at boydfuneraldirectors.com.

(Note: Non-standard obituaries require a nominal fee. Ask your funeral director about fee-based obituaries.)

Martin

Juanetta Martin, 87, of Salem died Feb. 15, 2013, at Baptist Health of Paducah.

She attended and was the oldest member of Salem Baptist Church.

Martin is survived by three daughters, Nancy Mitchell and Marilyn O'Bryan, both of Grand Rivers, and Teresa Martin of Smithland; one sister, Kay Ramsey of Naples, Fla.; nine grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one grandson, Kevin Croft; one sister, Wanda Lee Binkley; and her parents, Frank and Myra Ramage Binkley.

Funeral services were Monday in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors in Salem. Burial was in Salem Cemetery.

Lytton

Roberta Yvonne "Bobbie" Lytton, 58, of Shelbyville, Tenn., formerly of Livingston County, died Feb. 1, 2013, at her home after an extended illness.

She was a self-employed owner and operator of a residential and commercial cleaning service and was of the Southern Baptist faith.

Lytton is survived by one daughter, Lacey and husband Chris Pinkston of Halls Mill, Tenn.; one son, Travis Blackwell of Olive Branch, Miss.; two sisters, Mary Lou Smith of Smithland and Pauline Lawless of Salem; five grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

She was the daughter of the late Robert Ellis Lytton and Bethel Laverne Henry Lytton and was preceded in death by one sister, Phyllis Haynes.

The family choose cremation. Doak-Howell Funeral Home in Shelbyville was in charge of arrangements.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday at Dyer Hill Cemetery near Burna.

Hillyard

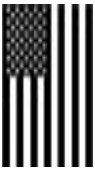
Elvis H. Hillyard, 86, of the Flat Rock Community in Fredonia area died Feb. 13, 2013, at Princeton Health and Rehab Center following a long illness.

He was a retired self-employed carpenter, a member of Creswell Baptist Church in Fredonia and a World War II Army veteran.

Hillyard is survived by his wife, Juanita Marie Shinall Hillyard of Fredonia; two sons, Jerry Wayne Hillyard and Tommy Hillyard, both of Caldwell County; three daughters, Carolyn Sigler of Caldwell County, Sandra Hill of Hanson and Shirley Pryor of Madisonville; one brother, Pat Hillyard of Caldwell County; one sister, Linda Roberts of Caldwell County; 12 grandchildren, Kristen Morris, Garrick Sigler, Kim Outland, Cretia Blanton, Jeremy Hillyard, Haley Thorpe, Mashae DePue, Fallon Holmes, Farrah Rodgers, Heath Harper, Jordan Hillyard and Sierra Hillyard; and 14 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Victor Hillyard Sr. and Reba Mae Vinson Hillyard; one brother, Vic Hillyard; and one grandson, Chad Harper.

Services were Saturday at the Morgan's Funeral Home with Rev. Bobby Jackson Sr. officiating. Burial was in Rowland Cemetery in Caldwell County.



Harper

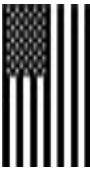
Charles "Charlie" Harper, 93, of Fredonia died Feb. 13, 2013, at West Kentucky Veterans Center in Hanson.

He was a retired braker for Fredonia Valley Rock Quarry and a member of Fredonia Cumberland Presbyterian Church, American Legion Post 103 and Civilian Conservation Corps.

He is survived by two sons, Charles "Chuck" Harper of Oakland, Mich., and Anthony "Tony" Harper of Princeton; two daughters, Sharon Rowland and Connie Hodge, both of Fredonia; and five grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Mary Inas Cummins Harper; his second wife, Ozelle Watson McDowell Harper; two grandsons; two brothers; and two sisters. His parents were Roy A. and Tressie May Nelson Harper.

Services were Saturday at Morgan's Funeral Home in Princeton with Curtis Franklin officiating. Burial was in Asher Cemetery in Caldwell County.



Knight

Charles William Knight Sr., 74, of Marion died Feb. 15, 2013, at Tradewater Health and Rehab in Dawson Springs.

Knight is survived by four daughters, Rebecca Ann and husband Bob McDowell of Marion, Kay and husband Johnny Tinsley of Marion, Rhonda and husband David Tinsley of Marion and Reba and husband Larry Todd of Marion; two sons, Charles W. "Billy" and wife Doris Knight of Hinkley, Minn., and Donald and wife Christina Knight of Marion; two sisters, Beverly Shephard of Georgia and Barbara Pearson of Henderson; one brother, Lindle "Pete" Knight of Ohio; 21 grandchildren; and 27 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Jessie and Margaret Knight; his wife, Ruth Knight; two daughters, Roberta and Roella Knight; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were Monday at Gilbert Funeral Home. Burial was in Crowell Cemetery in northeast of Marion.

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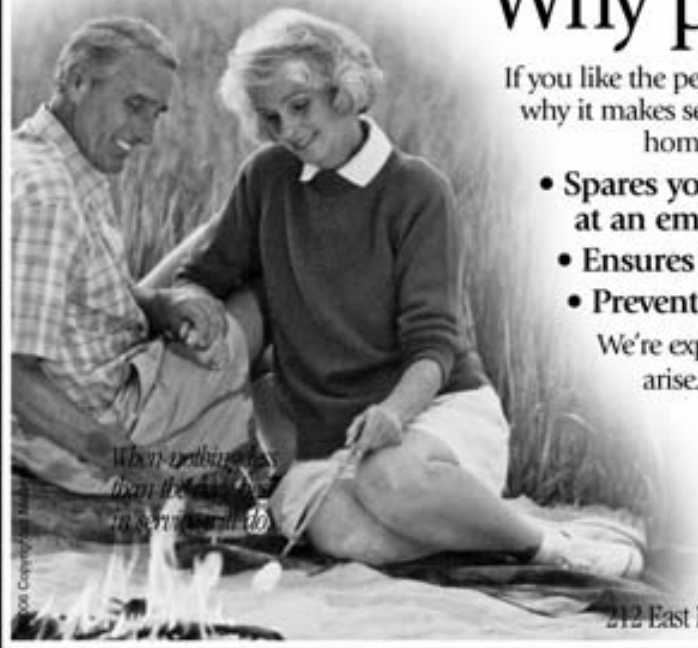
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Direct and Counter-Cyclical Payment Program (DCP) sign-up started Tuesday. Producers will have the option to enroll in either DCP or Average Crop Revenue Election (ACRE), a program that is in lieu of DCP. Producers who enroll in ACRE are required to take a 20-percent reduction in their DCP payments but have the possibility to gain an ACRE payment if market/yield conditions cause triggers to be met.

If you would like to learn more about ACRE, a fact sheet is located online at http://www.fsa.usda.gov/Internet/FSA_File/acre_2012_fact_sheet.pdf. Please note this fact sheet was for 2012 and the numbers used



are based on that year. A 2013 fact sheet has not been released yet, but this fact sheet will still give you some more basic data about the program.

If you are interested in participating in the ACRE program, you will need to complete your enrollment by June 3. Those producers who were in ACRE in years past are not automatically in

ACRE for 2013. If you want to participate in ACRE, you must do an election for 2013.

We have a shorter sign-up window this year, so please try to get contracts signed and returned as timely as possible. This year, we are asking producers to collect as many of their owners' signatures as possible.

If you would like to obtain your landowners' e-mail addresses, we would be happy to forward their contracts for you via e-mail. We are facing budgetary constraints this year, as most of you know, and we are doing our best to reduce expenses but still provide you with the best customer service possible. We appreciate your will-

ingness to try new avenues of receiving information. As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact the office in Salem at 988-2180 or stop in between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Upcoming dates

■ The deadlines to file an application for natural disaster protection under the Noninsured Assistance Program (NAP) is March 1 for alfalfa, clover, grass, mixed grass intended for grazing, hay or seed and TEFF.

(Laura Kessler is the Farm Service Agency county executive director at the Salem service center, which serves both Crittenden and Livingston counties.)

Local men fighting for pension, health benefits for Patriot Coal Corp. retirees

FROM STAFF AND AP REPORTS

As many as 100 Crittenden County families affected by the bankruptcy of Patriot Coal Corp. await a judge's decision on whether retired miners will get their full pension and health benefits promised when hired in by Patriot's parent company, St. Louis-based Peabody Energy.

At least two local men have been working in conjunction with United Mine Workers of America (UMWA) in rallying behind the 20,000 miners and dependents who stand to lose retirement benefits for which they worked. Larry Threlkeld, himself a retired miner—though not affected by the bankruptcy—and Tony O'Neal, a UMWA organizer out of Madisonville, have been collecting signatures of local and area officials to attach to a resolution backing the plight of affected western Kentucky coalfield retirees.

Both local city and county officials have backed the resolution, said O'Neal.

"We're reaching out to the public, especially local, state and federal officials, to sign onto resolutions," he said. But

"it's a lot broader than that."

O'Neal said churches, businesses and individuals are also being approached to back efforts to force the mining company to provide retirees with their full benefits.

"All of these coal-field counties are going to be affected by it economically," O'Neal said of the impact to be felt by miners losing benefits they were promised. "It's taking out a lot of money from these communities."

Last summer, Patriot Coal filed for bankruptcy protection. Patriot was spun off from Peabody in November 2007. Many miners believe Patriot was set for failure so that benefits of workers could be stripped away.

"It was set up to fail, we think, from the beginning," O'Neal said of Patriot's creation more five years ago.

Patriot spokeswoman Janine Orf said the cuts are part

of the effort to save the St. Louis-based company.

"It's really about our survival, trying to keep Patriot as a viable employer of 4,000 people," Orf told The Associated Press. "We are sacrificing across all employees and retirees. This is just where we are, and it's working its way through the court."

UMWA, which has waged peaceful protests outside Peabody headquarters in St. Louis, has filed a class action suit against Peabody and Arch Coal in West Virginia claiming they set Patriot up to fail so it would have to shed the pension and health care benefits. After the spinoff, Patriot acquired mines that Arch Coal spun off into Magnum Coal. Arch Coal is also based in St. Louis.

Patriot now argues the legacy costs it inherited are "unsustainable."

The lawsuit argues Arch and Peabody are still responsible for those benefits under the federal Employee Retirement and Income Securities Act. UMWA contends the companies knew that the cyclical nature of the industry

would inevitably lead to Patriot's inability to pay for those liabilities.

The lawsuit claims that 90 percent of the retirees for whom Patriot is responsible worked for Peabody and Arch, not Patriot.

Last week, about 1,000 people from several states participated in the latest protest of Patriot's bankruptcy outside of Peabody's headquarters. O'Neal said another protest is planned for Tuesday.

O'Neal explained that the retirees are in a holding pattern right now, waiting on the bankruptcy judge's decision. He said no one has any idea when the ruling may come.

"What it comes down to is, the stroke of the pen of a federal judge can take all of this away," O'Neal said of benefits for retirees and their dependents.

According to O'Neal, besides those in Crittenden County, that includes the families of 100 miners in Webster County, 260 in Union County, 406 in Hopkins County and another 592 in Christian County.

Scam asks churches, businesses to send money, forms to 'Frankfurt'

STAFF REPORT

Area churches and businesses should be on the lookout for a scam attempting to bilk them for a \$125 filing fee relating to minutes of corporate meetings, warns attorney Karen Woodall of Crittenden County.

"(It) has occurred in Caldwell County, and, hopefully, we can prevent anyone from Crittenden County from being hurt by it as well," she said.

Last week, a church in Caldwell County received an official-looking envelope from a company calling itself Corporate Records Services. The mailing contained instructions for completing the "2013 Annual Minutes" form, the form itself and a return envelope. The form quoted the Kentucky Revised Statute relating to minutes of

corporate meetings and requested the completed form be returned to the sender along with the aforementioned fee.

The mailing has also been sent to small businesses in the region.

Woodall said a call to the Kentucky Secretary of State's office revealed this is a scam and is neither authorized nor required by Kentucky government. As further evidence of fraud, the items were to be returned to "Frankfurt" rather than Frankfort, Ky.

Although the envelope and the form both state the sender is not a government

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LEDBETTER AUCTION RESULTS

FROM USDA MARKET NEWS

Feb. 19, 2013 - KDA-USDA Market News, Louisville, Ky.
Receipts: 495 head.

Compared to last week: Feeder steers and bulls traded mostly steady to 3.00 higher. Feeder heifers under 400 lbs 5.00 higher, over 400 lbs steady to 4.00 lower. Supply included 41% feeder heifers and 30% of feeders over 600 lbs. Slaughter cows and bulls 1.00-2.00 lower.

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 1-2

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
5	200-300	264	180.00-185.00	183.18
16	300-400	360	170.00-185.00	173.96
12	400-500	438	161.00-172.00	168.97
22	500-600	522	150.00-164.00	155.76
16	600-700	674	131.00-140.00	134.63
13	700-800	753	128.00-131.00	128.67
1	900-1000	905	114.00	114.00
1	1000-1100	1020	108.00	108.00

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 2-3

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	200-300	295	164.00	164.00
1	300-400	370	168.00	168.00
3	400-500	457	140.00-147.00	144.26
6	500-600	576	140.00-149.00	143.36
4	600-700	691	126.00-129.00	126.75
5	700-800	771	115.00-123.00	121.54

Feeder Holstein Steers Large 3

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	700-800	745	76.00	76.00

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1-2

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
7	200-300	282	169.00-173.00	171.99
12	300-400	332	160.00-175.00	166.91
27	400-500	436	140.00-155.00	146.86
15	500-600	535	130.00-141.00	135.94
31	600-700	642	120.00-131.00	126.34
10	700-800	754	117.00-120.00	118.28
1	800-900	840	106.00	106.00

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 2-3

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
15	300-400	365	142.00-159.00	155.90

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 2-3

7	400-500	462	115.00-139.00	130.49	
6	500-600	544	120.00-128.00	124.13	
3	600-700	655	100.00-117.00	105.62	
3	700-800	778	100.00	100.00	

Feeder Bulls Medium and Large 1-2

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
3	300-400	382	170.00-177.00	173.55
29	400-500	463	154.00-170.00	160.04
14	500-600	543	143.00-153.00	147.64
5	600-700	622	125.00-134.00	132.03
1	700-800	790	102.00	102.00

Feeder Bulls Medium and Large 2-3

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	300-400	358	152.00-160.00	155.86
16	400-500	475	135.00-154.00	147.91
14	500-600	556	120.00-142.00	135.20
6	600-700	657	120.00-122.00	121.31

Slaughter Cows

	%Lean	Weight	AD	HD	LD
Breaker	75-80	1160-1610	69-73		67-68
Boner	80-85	1100-1415	70-74	77-78	69
Lean	85-90	1020-1300	65-71		61-62
Lite	85-90	800-1025			

Slaughter Bulls

YG:	Weight	Avg-Dress	Lo-Dress
#1-2	1435-1930	89.00-93.00	82.00-86.00

Stock Cows: Cows 6 to 10 years old and 5 to 8 months bred 710.00-1240.00 per head.

Stock Cow/Calf Pairs: Cows 5 to 8 years old with calves at side 1140.00-1290.00 per pair.

Baby Calves: 145.00-280.00 per head.

Chip Stewart, market specialist

Last Friday's **precondition feeder calf sale** also found at www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/sv_lst150.txt

This report reflects price of majority of cattle with a USDA grade, weight and sex on sale date. This report does not represent all animals at sale.

Crittenden County Clerk	
Carolyn Byford, Clerk	
Financial Statement	
January 1, 2012 - December 31, 2012	
Receipts	
Ky State Treasurer.....	\$67,923.05
Crittenden Co Treasurer.....	5,923.60
Motor Vehicle/Boat Transaction/Prop Tax.....	1,696,504.89
Delinquent Tax.....	80,104.81
Overpayments (Refunds Written).....	2,720.22
Hunting/Fishing License.....	961.00
Recordings.....	60,122.00
Misc.....	10,786.77
Deed Transfer Tax.....	17,191.50
Cash Short/Over (Includes Web Renewals).....	(503.88)
Total Receipts.....	\$1,946,733.96
Disbursements	
Ky State Treasurer—Veh/Boat Transactions/Prop Tax...\$1,092,553.69	
Ky State Treasurer—Legal Process Tax.....	8,421.22
Ky State Treasurer—Delinquent Tax.....	8,237.64
Fish & Wildlife Department.....	5,834.50
Crittenden County Treasure—Real Estate Transfer Tax.....	16,331.89
Crittenden County Treasurer—Delinquent Tax.....	8,196.03
Crittenden County Treasurer—Advalorem Tax.....	68,248.39
Other Taxing Districts Delinq Tax.....	38,102.34
Other Taxing Districts—Advalorem Tax.....	386,891.08
Crittenden Co Sheriff—Delinquent Tax.....	6,832.76
Crittenden Co Attorney—Delinquent Tax.....	11,873.84
Office Salaries.....	184,555.20
Misc (Ads, Postage, Dues, Travel, Etc, Printing Tax Bills).....	7,828.62
Affordable Housing Trust Fund.....	8,382.00
Supplies, Equip, Software,Rebinding.....	29,436.37
Refunds.....	1,007.44
Overpayments (Refunds Written).....	2,720.22
Total Disbursements.....	\$1,885,453.23
Excess Fees Paid To The County Treasurer.....	\$61,280.73
I hereby state that to the best of my knowledge the above information is true and correct, dated this 31st day of January 2013.	
Carolyn Byford Crittenden County Clerk	

HOME & GARDEN SHOW

February 22
5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
February 23
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Admission:
\$2.00 Adults
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- Mrs. McLovets' Cupcakes
- Air Evac
- Fredonia Antiques
- Marilyn's Herb Corner & Ace
- Carrie

Grant presented to Fohs Hall Community Arts Foundation

STAFF REPORT

State arts leaders gathered Feb. 13 for Arts Day in Kentucky, an annual meeting that fosters discussions in the commonwealth's arts community about the state of the arts industry in Kentucky. The day is also an opportunity for arts leaders to thank members of the Kentucky General Assembly for their continued support of arts funding through the Kentucky Arts Council.

Sen. Dorsey Ridley (D-Henderson) and Rep. Lynn Bechler (R-Marion) presented the Fohs Hall Community Arts Foundation with a check for \$2,392 for a Kentucky Arts Partnership (KAP) grant awarded by the arts council in July 2012. The funding awarded to Fohs Hall Community Arts Foundation is part of \$1.7 million the arts council awarded to 104 non-profit arts organizations across the state for the 2013 fiscal year.

"Kentucky is fortunate to have excellent arts organizations in every region of the Commonwealth that provide arts experiences to audiences in their communities and visitors alike," said Lori Meadows, arts council executive director. "The state arts agency is proud to partner with Fohs Hall Community Arts Foun-



On Feb. 13, arts leaders came from across the Commonwealth to celebrate the public value of the arts and to thank legislators for their continued support of the Kentucky Arts Council. Checks were presented to organizations awarded Kentucky Arts Partnership operational support grants by the arts council in July 2012. Pictured above are (front row, from left) Kentucky Arts Council board member John Hockensmith, state Sen. Dorsey Ridley, Marion Mayor Mick Alexander, Terry Bunnell, state Rep. Lynn Bechler, Kentucky Arts Council Executive Director Lori Meadows, (back row) Crittenden County Economic Development Executive Director Jeremy Wheeler, Crittenden County Judge-Executive Perry Newcom and City Attorney Bart Frazer.

dation to ensure the arts are made available to all Kentuckians."

KAP grants provide operating support on a competitive basis to arts and cultural organizations and community arts programs to ensure year-round participation in the arts is

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Cross-Carlson

Jimmy and Jane Cross of Bardstown announce the engagement of their daughter, Brittany Cross, to Maj. Brandon Carlson, son of Ms. Lee Carlson, formerly of Marion.

Cross is an alumni of Bethlehem High School. She graduated magna cum laude from the University of Notre Dame and attended law school at the University of Kentucky. She practices product liability defense at the law firm Stites and Harbison in Louisville.

Maj. Carlson is a 2000 graduate of Crittenden County High School and a 2004 graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point. He received his Masters of Public Administration from Norwich University. He is employed by the United States Army.

A January 2014 wedding is planned at the Basilica of Saint Joseph Proto-Cathedral in Bardstown.

Engineering scholarship deadline is March 1st

STAFF REPORT

The application deadlines for the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's (KyTC) Engineering Scholarship programs are quickly approaching.

Each year, the Cabinet awards 10 to 20 new civil engineering scholarships and five to 10 new engineering technology scholarships.

A civil engineering scholarship may be worth up to \$44,000. Plus, there's job placement after graduation and the opportunity for a potentially rewarding career. In fact, many current and former Cabinet leaders were scholarship recipients—including Cabinet Secretary

Mike Hancock and State Highway Engineer Steve Waddle.

The Engineering Technology Scholarship Program is in its fifth year and prepares students for careers with KyTC after graduation. Each engineering technology scholarship student receives \$2,500 per semester to complete an Associate's Degree in Civil Engineering Technology.

For more information, log on to transportation.ky.gov. Under the Programs & Services tab, click Scholarship Opportunities.

The application deadline for both scholarship programs is Friday, March 1.

Benefit your family by writing your memoir

Memories can be very powerful and remind us of life's ups and downs and times of growth, maturity and happiness. Do you remember what your first job was like? What was the make and model of your first car? How did you feel when you held your first child?

Your special memories may not only be important to you, but they could be important to family and friends as well. Many people wish they knew more about their family history. Writing your life story can help.

The account of the series of events and experiences that make you the person you are today can be written, recorded or both.

Life stories include information about family and



friends, the different locations and dwellings that you've called home, your education, work, hobbies, spirituality and how you were affected by important world events, such as the end of the Vietnam War or 9/11. Life stories should also include family medical history as this can provide useful information for both you and future generations. Knowing your family medical history can encourage

preventative measures and even lead to early detection of certain health problems or disorders.

Documenting and sharing a life story has many mental and social benefits. The process contributes to overall mental healthiness, reinforces a sense of purpose and strengthens family and caregiver relationships.

In addition, the legacy of a life story and family history influences future generations.

Writing a life story takes time and careful thought. The University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension publication FCS7-200, "Life Story: What Is It and How Do You Write It?" has a worksheet with sample questions that encourage you to think about signifi-

cant events and memories. It is available online at <http://www.ca.uky.edu/agc/pubs/fcs7/fcs7200/fcs7200.PDF> or at the local extension office. Photographs, mementos and talking to others can also be helpful tools that jar memories.

If you don't feel comfortable writing or recording your life story by yourself, ask a family member, friend or caregiver to help.

For more information on life stories, contact the Crittenden County Cooperative Extension Service at 270-965-5236.

Educational programs of the Cooperative Extension Service serve all people regardless of race, color, age, sex, religion, disability or national origin.

Speech teams earn honors



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Crittenden County High School Speech Team members (pictured from left?) Amber Wright, Daniel Patton, Alyssa Leet and Cole Foster achieved superior rankings at the Murray Regional Speech Tournament on Feb. 9. All of the students qualified for the state tournament to be held in March at the University of Kentucky. In addition, Foster was named regional champion in Broadcast Announcing.



PHOTO PROVIDED

Six Crittenden County Middle School Speech Team members qualified for state competition on Feb. 9 at the Murray Regional Speech Tournament. Advancing to the state level are (pictured from left?) Ashley Wheeler, Darren Paris, Jessi Brewer, Brennan Jones, Katie Wheeler and Baylee Priest. Nate Haire (far right?) also competed and his participation points helped the team capture a fourth place team finish. Paris was named regional runner-up in his category of competition.



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Club donates to shelter

Marion Eagles Club 3591 recently donated \$225 to the Mary Hall-Ruddiman Canine Shelter. Pictured are (from left) Melissa Guill, Jennifer Rodgers, Maxine Sutton, Agnes Armstrong-Brown and Judy Eskew.

Local students receive honors

STAFF REPORT

Two area students received post-secondary education honors.

Catherine H. Hughes of Marion has completed her fifth term at Berea (Ky.) College and has been named to the fall 2012 dean's list. A student is named to the dean's list who achieves a grade-point-average of 3.2 or higher while earning at

least four credits, or 16 semester hours.

Crystal Michelle Brothers of Marion was one of 1,068 Eastern Kentucky University graduates recognized at the conclusion of the fall 2012 semester. Brothers graduated with a master of arts degree in English and was recognized at commencement ceremonies Dec. 15 at the Richmond, Ky., university.

Community CALENDAR

Thursday, Feb. 21

■ The Woman's Club of Marion will present the documentary, Miss Representation at 6:30 p.m., at the Ed-Tech Center. Admission is free. It is recommended for viewers 14 years and older. A local panel discussion will include Rebecca Johnson as moderator, Karen Maddux, Jill Croft and Rev. Tara Sisco.

Friday, Feb. 22

■ A Grape Pruning Workshop will be held from 1 to 3 p.m., at Eddy Creek Vineyard in Princeton. The instructor will be Patsy Wilson, a UK Viticulture Extension Specialist. To register for this event call the Crittenden County Extension Office at 965-5236.

Monday, Feb. 25

■ The Quilt Club will meet at 9:30 a.m., at the Crittenden County Extension Office. The program will be provided by Priscilla "Pat" Fuller.

Tuesday, Feb. 26

■ Adult Sewing Classes will be held at 5 p.m., at the Crittenden County Extension Office. You must know how to operate a sewing machine. For further information and supply list call the Extension Office at 965-5236.

■ The Photography Club will meet at 6 p.m., at the Ed-Tech Center. The program will be on how to use the manual settings on your camera and will be given by Joe Myers. For further information call the Crittenden County Extension Office at 965-5236 or on Facebook as Crittenden County Extension Photography Club.

Wednesday, Feb. 27

■ An AARP tax preparation professional will be on hand at the Crittenden County Senior Citizens Center from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.,

each Wednesday during tax season to help seniors with filing their taxes. The center is located on North Walker Street.

■ The Crittenden County Extension Homemakers International Event will be held at 11 a.m., at the Ed-Tech Center. The program will include Marjorie Yandell speaking on China: The Country and Its People. The event is open to the public and will include lunch and a silent auction to support the Kentucky Extension Homemaker project in Ghana. Call the Extension Office at 965-5236 for further information.

Thursday, Feb. 28

■ A "Don't Let Falls Get You Down" program will be presented at 10 a.m., at the Crittenden County Extension Office. It is open to the public. Call the Extension Office at 965-5236 to register.

Tuesday, March 5

■ Bigham Lodge No. 256 F&AM will have stated communication at the Masonic Lodge located on Sturgis Road. The meal will be at 6:30 p.m., with the meeting to follow at 7:30 p.m.

On-going

■ Crittenden County Project Graduation is selling Rocket tumblers, cookbooks and jersey knit throws as fundraisers. See any senior class member to purchase.

■ The Crittenden County Hospital Auxiliary encourages individuals to donate books. Bring them to the hospital lobby from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., weekdays or call 965-1059 to have them picked up. The books will be sold for fundraising.

4-H Geology and Rocket clubs visit museum, bank



PHOTO BY EMILY HENDRIX, CLUB REPORTER

The Geology Rocks! 4-H Club met last month at the Ben E. Clement Mineral Museum in Marion to discuss the formation of minerals such as quartz and galena. The group also watched a film on different types of rocks. Club members Johnny Graham, Caleb Graham, Stephen Graham, Emily Hendrix, new member Lily Berry and 4-H Cloverbud Aiden Graham attended. The next Geology Rocks! Club meeting will be at 4:30 p.m., Feb. 20 at the museum. Visitors are welcome. For more information, contact club leader Teresa Stations at 988-3564 or Crittenden County 4-H Agent Bonnie Baker at 965-5236.



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Chris Cook, executive vice president of the Farmers Bank, presented members, guests and leaders of the 4-H Rocket Club with a tour of the bank on Jan. 23. Pictured (from left) are Mason Haire, Syl Hunt, Anna Bryant, Elizabeth Tosh, Mercedes Haney, Nate Haire, Layla Haney, Ashely Croft, Mary Tinsley, Meagan Potter, Tessa Potter and Cook.

Livingston Hospital adds new face to surgical staff

STAFF REPORT

Dr. James Bergin, M.D., F.A.C.S., joins Livingston Hospital clinics with varied experiences in healing. He has been in both private and group practice, performed bariatric surgery and complex abdominal wall reconstruction and has wound care experience. He is a fellow with the American College of Surgeons—hence the FACS acronym after his name—which admits to its fellowship only those whose professional activity is devoted to surgical practice and who agree without compromise to practice by the professional and ethical standards of the association.

Bergin, an Illinois native, earned his bachelor of sci-

ence degree in bio-medical engineering from Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill., just north of Chicago. He then went to medical school at the University of Illinois College of Medicine in Peoria, where he was in the James Scholar Program, an honors course of study in research. He then headed back to the shores of Lake Michigan where he completed his general surgery residency at Loyola University Chicago.

Following his residency, the surgeon started practice in Bowling Green, part of a group for six years and a solo private practice for three. He then relocated to Columbia in rural central Kentucky where he was em-

ployed as a physician.

Bergin and his wife Nikki, a native of Russellville, have two children—son Paul, eight, and daughter Keylin, three. The 43-year-old doctor and his wife share more than just a family together—both are in health care and both love to bow hunt. Nikki received surgical scrub technician training while in Bowling Green, where the couple met.

Paul also enjoys bow hunting, having gone on his first turkey hunt last spring.

Born in Mt. Morris, Ill., a city in far northern Illinois about the size of Marion, Bergin's father was in the publishing industry and his mother was a special education teacher. In high school,



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Bergin and his wife Nikki have two children, son Paul, eight, and daughter Keylin, three.

Bergin played football and wrestled. He graduated second in a class of 58.

Bergin will see patients at Marion Physicians Clinic from 1 to 5 p.m., Mondays;

Salem Clinic from 1 to 5 p.m., Wednesdays; and from 1 to 5 p.m., at Smithland Medical Clinic on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.



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Redneck Mardi Gras

The staff of Glenn's Apothecary celebrated "redneck" Mardi Gras last week by dressing up. Pictured are (from left) Carla Hardin, Gail Brazeau, Debbie Henderson, Lori Clarke, Jeanne Farmer and Eva Winters.

Public urged to fill out transportation survey

FROM STAFF AND AP REPORTS

Officials with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet are urging citizens to make their voices heard about transportation needs in the state by filling out a survey.

Keith Todd, a resident of Marion and spokesperson for the Cabinet's westernmost districts, said more input is needed from rural residents to balance the survey results.

There is a Monday deadline to fill out the survey, which will help the agency update its long-range plans to accommodate transportation needs in the state.

As of last week, more than 13,000 people had taken the confidential Your Turn survey, which is offered online and in print.

The confidential survey includes 19 questions about demographics, transportation wants and needs and options for funding.

The statement says responses to the survey will be used to gauge the public's expectations for transportation in the state and to plan for the future.

The survey can be taken by going to <http://www.yourturn.transportation.ky.gov>.

Thank You

The family of Howard "Punk" Wheeler would like to say a heartfelt thank you for the words of comfort and encouragement, flowers, food, cards, visits and most of all your prayers during our time of loss. A special thank you to Bro. Archie Brock and Bro. Tim Burdon.

Carol, Ed, Wayne, Alfreda, Lisa, Don, Laura, Kristen, Sarah, Rachel, Samantha & Rochalle

Thank You

The family of Joe Morris would like to express our deep appreciation to each and everyone who sent flowers, food, gifts, prayers and Gideon Bibles with the passing of our loved one. We would like to extend a special thank you to the personnel at Crittenden County Hospital for all your efforts, love and support. An additional thank you to our church families of Emmanuel Baptist Church, Life in Christ Church and Crooked Creek Missionary Baptist Church for their comforting words and support during our time of loss.

An extended thank you to Bro. Tommy Brown for his comforting words, Doris Brown and Misty Pugh for the beautiful music during the services. Thank you to all our friends and Amish friends for your comforting words and support during this time of loss, you are so appreciated. An indebted thank you especially goes out to the Ft. Campbell Honor Guard for honoring our WWII veteran loved one with military honors at the grave site.

A very special thank you to Emmanuel Baptist Church for the wonderful meal following the funeral and your continued comforting words and support.

We are so blessed to be a part of a community that reaches out to each other during difficult times and showing how much they care.

Linda Morris
Jerry Morris
Jon and Jennifer Morris

Jay and Debi Morris
Joni "Morris" Durfey
Michael Morris

Ronald, Jennifer, Gavin & Addison Durfey

We deeply appreciate all of your thoughts and prayers during the illness and passing of our mother, Ruth Drury. A special thanks goes to Dr. Burkhart and Joe, the Crittenden County Health and Rehabilitation Center nurses and aides and the Myers Funeral Home staff. Thanks to Emmanuel Baptist Church for the lovely meal following the service and to the ministers for their comforting words.

Thanks so much for the love and concern shown by our friends and neighbors. The visits, cards and letters, food, flowers and donations were such an honored memorial to Mother. May God bless each of you.

Roberta Shewmaker, Evelyn Fuller & Janet Matheny



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for sale

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21st anniversary sale. Porta/Grace Number 1 metal roofing, siding and trim. 40-year warranty. Available in 16 colors. Energy star rated. Free delivery on larger jobs. Same day availability in some cases. Call for low prices. Grays Carports and Building, 907 Hopkinsville Street, Princeton, Ky. (270) 365-7495. (13t-40-p)

agriculture

Looking for crop ground to lease coming out of CRP or already being cropped. Also looking for pasture ground to lease. (270) 952-0027 or (270) 952-6843. (16t-33-p)

automotive

1993 Ford truck, red and white with matching camper shell, F150, 302 V8, automatic 2WD, 130,000 miles. \$3,300. After 5 p.m. (270) 965-2041. (1t-33-p)

For sale: 2002 Jeep Wrangler Sahara hard top. New long block 6 cyl. engine with warranty. Two other tops. Tires 32x11.50R 15". Lots of extras. \$11,000/firm. No calls after 7 p.m. 704-0210. (3t-34-p)

1970 Dodge Charger R/T 440 Magnum, automatic, black on black, factory A/C, asking \$8,500, timmany7@juno.com or (502) 354-8759. (10t-41-p)

for rent

3 BR, 2 bath mobile home. Stove and refrigerator, references and deposit, \$450/mo., yard maintenance and trash pickup. (270) 704-3234. (tfn-c)je

real estate

Sturgis: New listing, a farmhouse in town less than a five minute walk to local banks, restaurants, grocery. 2 BR, large family room and kitchen, nice bath, utility, convenience of town and views that are pure scenic, also a large 2 car garage, front and rear porch and private patio, priced to sell. Call Riden Auction and Realty, (270) 667-2570. #731. (2t-34-c)

Sturgis: Newly remodeled, 2 BR home, living room, kitchen, dining room, full basement, 40'x75' shop, 35'x50' barn, 2 car garage, 45 acres. Call Riden Auction and Realty, (270) 667-2570. #719. (2t-34-c)

For sale: Home, 2 large BR, 1 bath, vinyl siding. In city of Salem, water/sewer, forced gas heat & air, by owner. 988-4548. (8t-39-p)

For sale, 3 BR, 2 bath, totally re-modeled home. New windows, doors, kitchen, bathrooms and flooring. Like new! Located near hospital, schools and grocery. Large lot, detached 2 car garage. \$109,000. Serious inquiries only. 704-1028 or 704-1027. (tfn-c)dh

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employment

Bright Life Farms, Inc., is now taking applications for part-time new hire for Direct Care Staff. Must be 25, apply in person, 10200 Farmersville Rd., Princeton, Ky. Background check; on-site training. (1t-33-p)

Walt's Drive-A-Way in Evansville is hiring Class-A CDL drivers for regional runs. Out and back a couple times a week and home week-ends. 38¢ per mile plus benefits. Call (812) 602-2610. (3t-33-p)

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legal

Legal Notice

I, Melissa Guill, Clerk of Crittenden County District Court Marion, Ky., do certify that the following has filed notice of Final Settlement: Barbara Hunt, 182 Country Club Drive, Marion, Ky. 42064 and Sylvia Maier of 3215 Ferguson Rd., Evansville, In. 47720 Executors of Anna Maier, deceased. The foregoing Settlement is to be heard at the regular session of Crittenden District Court on Mrach 20, 2013. All persons having exceptions to said settlements are to file same at once.

Legal Notice

Crittenden County Fiscal Court will meet in special session at 8:30 a.m., Friday, March 1 to consider second reading of an ordinance to rescind a 1960 resolution regarding business license fees. (1t-33-c)

Legal Notice

Crittenden County Fiscal Court will meet in special session at 8:30 a.m., Friday, March 1 to consider second reading of an amendment pertaining to the opt-out clause in the county fire dues ordinance. (1t-33-c)

Legal Notice

SUMMARY OF BOND

ORDINANCE AND NOTICE OF SECOND READING OF BOND

ORDINANCE

The Crittenden County Fiscal Court, at a meeting to be held on March 1, 2013 at 8:30 a.m., in the Crittenden County Courthouse, 107 South Main Street, Marion, Kentucky, proposes to give second reading to, and consider for adoption, the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF CRITTENDEN, KENTUCKY AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2013 IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$8,000,000 (WHICH AMOUNT MAY BE DECREASED AS NECESSARY OR DESIRABLE) TO REFUND AND RETIRE THE COUNTY'S OUTSTANDING GENERAL OBLIGATION IMPROVEMENT BONDS (DETENTION FACILITY PROJECT), SERIES 2007 AND THE COUNTY'S OUTSTANDING LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE KENTUCKY AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS FINANCING TRUST, DATED FEBRUARY 13, 2008; APPROVING THE FORM OF BONDS; AUTHORIZING DESIGNATED OFFICERS TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER THE BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT AND SECURITY OF THE BONDS; CREATING A BOND PAYMENT FUND; AUTHORIZING AN ESCROW TRUST AGREEMENT; MAINTAINING THE HERETOFORE CREATED SINKING FUND; AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF THE BID OF THE BOND PURCHASER FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE BONDS; AUTHORIZING A LEASE AGREEMENT AS AN ALTERNATIVE FORM OF FINANCING FOR THE PROJECT; AND REPEALING INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES.

This Ordinance sets forth general rules, regulations and conditions for the issuance of general obligation refunding bonds by the County of Crittenden, Kentucky (the "County") in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$8,000,000 (the "Bonds") for the purpose of: (i) refunding the County's outstanding General Obligation Improvement Bonds (Detention Facility Project), Series 2007; (ii) refunding the County's

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outstanding Lease Agreement, by and between the County and the Kentucky Area Development Districts Financing Trust, dated February 13, 2008; and (iii) paying the costs of issuance of the Bonds. Provisions are made for the authorization and issuance of the Bonds; for the application of the proceeds of the Bonds; for the establishment of a Bond Payment Fund; authorizing an Escrow Trust Agreement; authorizing a Lease Agreement as an alternative to the Bonds; and for certain covenants of the County with respect to the Bonds. The Bonds are to be sold at advertised, public sale in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 424 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes. The Bonds are to bear interest, payable at such rates and on the interest payments dates as shall be established upon their sale. Reference is hereby made to the full text of the Ordinance, a copy of which is on file at the offices of the Fiscal Court Clerk, 107 South Main Street, Marion, Kentucky, for a complete statement of its provisions and terms.

Carolyn Byford
Fiscal Court Clerk,
County of Crittenden, Kentucky

PREPARATION CERTIFICATE

The undersigned Attorney at Law, licensed to practice in Kentucky, hereby certifies that the foregoing title summary of an Ordinance of the County of Crittenden, Kentucky, was prepared by the undersigned and constitutes a general summary of essential provisions of said Ordinance, reference to the full text of which ordinance is hereby made for a complete statement of its provisions and terms.

Ian F. Koffler
Peck, Shaffer & Williams LLP
50 East RiverCenter Boulevard,
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Covington, Kentucky 41011
(1t-33-c)

Legal Notice

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CRITTENDEN CIRCUIT COURT

CIVIL ACTION NO. 11-CI-00145

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V. KENNETH RAY HOLLOMAN; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF KENNETH RAY HOLLOMAN; CITIFINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.; KY LIEN HOLDINGS, LLC; PRINCETON FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION N/K/A INTEGRA BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION; CITY OF MARION, KENTUCKY; and CRITTENDEN COUNTY KENTUCKY DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale entered in the Crittenden Circuit Court on February 1, 2013 I will on Friday, March 8, 2013, beginning at the hour of 10:00 a.m., prevailing time, at the Courthouse door in the City of Marion, Crittenden County, Kentucky, proceed to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder, the real estate (hereinafter described and all the right, title, and interest of the parties hereto, to-wit:) A certain lot or parcel of land lying and being in the City of Marion, Kentucky, on U.S. Highway No. 60 and Blackburn Street and bounded as follows: Beginning at a stake or stone at the intersection of U.S. Highway No. 60 and Blackburn Street and running North along said Blackburn Street 70 feet to a stake corner to L.E. Waddell; thence west 50 feet to a stake or stone an agreed corner to Adams; thence south 70 feet to a stake or stone on the bank of the highway; thence Ease 50 feet to the beginning. Being the same property conveyed to Ann Holloman, a married person, and Kenneth Ray

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Holloman, by deed dated August 17, 2004, of record in Deed Book 199, page 682, in the Crittenden County Clerk's Office. Ann Holloman a/k/a Olga Ann Holloman died March 30, 2006, according to the Social Security Death Index, and title to the above-described property passed to Kenneth Ray Holloman, in accordance with the survivorship clause in said Deed.

Property Address: 403 West Gum Street, Marion, Kentucky 42064

The description provided herein was provided by the parties and is contained in the Judgment and Order of Sale. Pursuant to the afore mentioned Judgment and Order of Sale the real property herein described shall be sold upon the following terms and conditions: This Master Commissioner shall offer for sale at public auction held at the Crittenden County Courthouse the real property as described herein. Said real property shall be sold as a whole to the highest and best bidder on terms of cash in full or payment of 10% of the purchase price a the time of the sale with the balance owed within sixty (60) days, and any purchaser shall be required to execute bond with surety thereon to be approved by this Master Commissioner to secure the unpaid portion of the purchase price, with the bond to bear interest at a rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid, and the bond shall have the same force and effect as a judgment and shall remain and be a lien on the real property until fully paid. Purchaser shall have the privilege of paying all of the purchase price in cash at time of sale or paying said bond before maturity by paying the principal amount thereof together with all interest accrued thereon until date of said payment. In the event the Plaintiff, Tax Ease Lien Servicing, LLC, bids on the real property it shall be entitled to take credit, for bidding purposes only, against the total amount of its judgment herein granted to the extent of the purchase price bid by Plaintiff, and in such event, subparagraphs (b) and (c) of this paragraph shall not be applicable. In the event that the Plaintiff places the highest bid and becomes the purchaser of the property and the bid amount is not sufficient to pay the costs and all tax lien holders of equal priority, the Plaintiff's credit for disbursement purposes is limited to its pro rata share of the proceeds after payment of all costs including court costs, publication costs, and costs otherwise associated with the action and sale. This Master Commissioner shall not issue a deed to the property until after payment of the pro rata amount due to each taxing entity is made.

This Master Commissioner shall withdraw the subject property from sale if requested to do so by written request from the Attorney for Plaintiff, provided, however, that the Plaintiff is the party who instituted the foreclosure proceedings. The Plaintiff shall pay all costs associated with the cancellation of the sale. In the event the purchaser of the real property fails to comply with the above terms of sale, then in such event, this Master Commissioner shall immediately resell the real property upon the same terms and conditions as hereinabove set forth, excepting only any necessary changes in the time and date of sale. Possession of the real property will be given to the purchaser upon confirmation of the Report of Sale by the Crittenden Circuit Court and payment of the purchase price as described herein. The risk of loss on improvements on the real property passes to the purchaser at time of delivery of the Master Commissioner's deed to said purchaser. The liens herein adjusted shall attach to the proceeds of said sale in order of priority. The subject property herein cannot be divided and shall be sold "as-is" free and clear of all liens of the parties

This Master Commissioner shall withdraw the subject property from sale if requested to do so by written request from the Attorney for Plaintiff, provided, however, that the Plaintiff is the party who instituted the foreclosure proceedings. The Plaintiff shall pay all costs associated with the cancellation of the sale. In the event the purchaser of the real property fails to comply with the above terms of sale, then in such event, this Master Commissioner shall immediately resell the real property upon the same terms and conditions as hereinabove set forth, excepting only any necessary changes in the time and date of sale. Possession of the real property will be given to the purchaser upon confirmation of the Report of Sale by the Crittenden Circuit Court and payment of the purchase price as described herein. The risk of loss on improvements on the real property passes to the purchaser at time of delivery of the Master Commissioner's deed to said purchaser. The liens herein adjusted shall attach to the proceeds of said sale in order of priority. The subject property herein cannot be divided and shall be sold "as-is" free and clear of all liens of the parties

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herein. The proceeds of the sale, after payment of court costs, expenses of sale and any delinquent ad valorem taxes, shall be held by the Master Commissioner subject to further Orders of this Court. Said property shall be sold subject to such right of redemption as may exist in favor of Defendants. The purchaser of the real property shall be required to pay the ad valorem taxes for the 2012 tax year and all subsequent years and shall take said real property subject to all restrictive covenants and easements of record in the Crittenden County Clerk's Office.

Dated this the 1st day of February, 2013.

Brandi D. Rogers
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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

CRITTENDEN CIRCUIT COURT

CIVIL ACTION NO. 12-CI-00137

FARMERS BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, OF MARION, KENTUCKY PLAINTIFF V. BOBBIE JOANN PERKINS; QUENTIN SEPTIMUS JACKSON; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF BOBBIE JOANN PERKINS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF QUENTIN SEPTIMUS JACKSON; UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS AND/OR TENANTS OF 620 SOUTH MAIN STREET, MARION, KENTUCKY; and COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale entered in the Crittenden Circuit Court on January 11, 2013 I will on Friday, March 8, 2013, beginning at the hour of 10:00 a.m., prevailing time, at the Courthouse door in the City of Marion, Crittenden County, Kentucky, proceed to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder, the real estate (hereinafter described and all the right, title, and interest of the parties hereto, to-wit:)

A certain piece of parcel of land lying and being in Crittenden County, Kentucky, and described as follows: A house and lot lying and being on the east side of S. Main Street and bounded on the south by the land of M. L. Lamb, on the west by S. Main Street, on the north by the land of Elva Burke, on the east by the land of Samuel Gugenheim, said lot fronting 80 feet on South Main Street and running back between parallel lines 180 feet and is part of parcel No. 2 as set out in a deed by W. O. Moore, Trustee, to M. C. McConnell and wife dated August 19, 1932 and now of record in Crittenden Court Clerk's Office.

SOURCE OF TITLE:

Being the same property conveyed to Bobbie Joann Perkins, a single person, and Quentin Septimus Jackson, a single person, by Carolyn Brown et vir., by Deed dated May 12, 2007 and recorded in Deed Book 208, at page 211, Crittenden County Court Clerk's Office. Property Address: 620 South Main Street, Marion, Ken-

tucky 42064. The description provided herein was provided by the parties and is contained in the Judgment and Order of Sale.

1. The Master Commissioner will sell same at public auction to the highest and best bidder at the Courthouse door for cash or a deposit of 10% of the purchase price with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days. The successful bidder shall be required to give a bond with good surety for the unpaid purchase price with said bond bearing interest at 12% per annum from the date of the sale. In the event Plaintiff is the successful purchaser, Plaintiff shall be entitled to take a credit for, and apply towards the purchase bid, the full amount of the judgment granted for all amounts due, including interest accrued to the date of the sale. In the event Plaintiff is the purchaser of the Real Property for an amount equal to, or less than, the amount of its judgment, no bond shall be required of Plaintiff and the settlement obligations of Plaintiff shall be deemed satisfied upon payment of the costs of the sale in accordance with the statement of costs to be presented by this Master Commissioner.

2. The Purchaser shall be required to assume and pay any ad valorem taxes and all taxes assessed against said property by any City, State, County or any school district which are due and payable at any time during the year 2013 or thereafter. Said property shall be sold with the improvements thereon "as is" and cannot be divided.

3. The mortgage lien and title lien of Plaintiff shall attach to the proceeds of the sale in the amount of the monetary judgment granted.

4. The proceeds of the sale of the real property shall be applied first to the costs of this action, then to the payment of any unpaid ad valorem property taxes, then to the payment of the monetary judgment granted to Plaintiff herein, with any remaining proceeds being distributed pursuant to further Orders of the Court.

5. Any party to this action in possession of the real property is directed to vacate said property within ten (10) days of the date of the Judgment and Order of Sale, entered in this action on January 11, 2013. Any personal property remaining upon or within the real property after the expiration of said ten (10) days shall be deemed to have been abandoned and mybe disposed of as the purchaser of the real property deems appropriate.

6. All persons claiming under or against any of the Defendants to this action or the real property who have not intervened or otherwise asserted their claim prior to the entry of the Default Judgment, Summary Judgment and Order of Sale, entered on January 11, 2013, are thereafter forever barred therefrom.

Dated this the 30th day of January, 2013.

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Reopening of ME’s office saves county hundreds

STAFF REPORT
The 2013 reopening of the State Medical Examiner's Office in Madisonville is saving western Kentucky counties like Crittenden a considerable amount of money and aggravation.

The medical examiner's office for western Kentucky where autopsies are performed was closed in 2011

when the doctor who performed the examinations quit. That forced county coroners like Brad Gilbert to transport bodies for autopsies in homicide and suspicious cases to Louisville, more than 350 miles away.

The Madisonville office, which averaged more than 260 autopsies annually between 2005 and its closure,

reopened in January when Dr. Gregory Wanger moved from Fort Thomas, Ky., to staff the Hopkins County office that services 24 counties.

Last year, Gilbert, now in his third year as Crittenden County's coroner, made six trips to Louisville at a total cost of \$842.40 to the county.

"This does not take into consideration the full day one

of our employees must take to go to Louisville," he added.

Reopening the regional office is saving small western Kentucky counties hundreds of dollars a year that can be used toward other needs. Larger counties may be saving thousands.

It costs the county only \$17.60 per trip to Madisonville, Gilbert said.

FFA

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and running water lines. The second year included erecting the exterior of the house. The final year included placing sheeting on the greenhouse and getting it functional. That included installing a computerized system that controls heat, fans, exhaust and water cooling.

Students will learn about growing plants in a hydroponics unit. Hydroponics is a method of growing plants in water—with the absence of soil—using mineral nutrient solutions. Duvall said the hydroponics unit was constructed after researching similar systems online.

"Basically it is a guttering system like you would use for your house for downspouts," he said. "We have holes spaced every 10 inches down each line and the lines are 10 inches apart. It goes into a manifold and recirculates back into a tank where a nutrient solution is pumped back into the plants. So we will be growing the plants with zero soil. No soil at all. It will be grown in a product called Rockwool."

In addition to teaching students how to grow different plants in a controlled environment, Duvall said the greenhouse is an entrepreneurial project. The goal is to open the greenhouse to the public near the end of April.

"The students will be marketing the plants to customers and helping customers with plant selection," he said. "They will also be handling the financial side, such as collecting money and writing receipts."

Money from greenhouse sales will be used to help fund FFA activities throughout the year. It will also be used to help fund next year's crop.



PHOTO BY JASON TRAVIS, THE CRITTENDEN PRESS
Crittenden County High School senior Matt Berry, an FFA member and agriculture education student under instructor Larry Duvall, places lettuce in a hydroponic system.

SAFETY

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that the state inmate could have been dangerous despite being deemed a community-level trusty by the Kentucky Department of Corrections.

"They are in jail for a reason," he said of any inmate. "We always advise people to be cautious."

But Diaz's concern is that she didn't even know to be cautious. The Diazes did not learn of the escapee until hearing about it on WMJL radio the following morning.

"We did everything possible to catch this guy," O'Neal said. "If it'd gone into night, they probably would have seen it on the (television) news."

Lt. Marty Hodge, a Marion Police officer, attempted to put the warning out via the AMBER Alert Program that notifies broadcasters and the communications industry in order to get out the word of a

missing child. The system is reserved for dispatching urgent bulletins in only the most serious child-abduction cases, so notification of the walkway did not qualify.

The information was disseminated on The Press Online at 10:43 a.m. the morning of the escape, shortly after information became available from the jail and local police. The Press received its first notification from state police an hour later. The blog was updated throughout the course of the day as information became available.

Judge-Executive Perry Newcom said he did not learn of the incident until someone asked him about it at church that morning.

Perhaps the most feasible way to notify residents in such an instance, authorities agreed, is what is commonly called "reverse 911" emergency alert. This system notifies registered users of emergency bulletins, but it can be costly.

"When that is not available, we use resources available through media outlets," said Recke, who was not on duty the morning of Feb. 10.

Recke said where he lives in Muhlenberg County, both his home and cell phones are registered with the local notification service, most frequently used during weather emergencies. Lyon County, too, has contracted with a company to provide emergency bulletins to residents.

"We have CodeRED," Lyon

County Judge-Executive Wade White said of Emergency Communications Network's alert system. "It's a great service. People sign up, and I control who can call out. It has an automated service for tornado warnings."

The system works by entering voluntary contact details of an individual or home which will be added to a nationwide database accessed exclusively for critical community alerts and emergency situations.

If Crittenden County had such a service, the Diazes or any other resident of the county could have easily and quickly been notified of the prisoner on the loose. But Newcom said the system is cost prohibitive when considering the fiscal court's budget.

White said his county paid \$13,400 for four years of CodeRED service. Just last week, magistrates in Lincoln County, Ky., agreed to a two-year, \$15,000 contract for the same service. The system sends out notifications to its county's 25,000 residents interested in receiving notice via landline, cell phone, text message and e-mail.

The service is typically free for residents to register, though they ultimately pay for the notification system.

"It costs taxpayer money, so in a way I am paying for it," Recke said of the local system for which he is signed up.

O'Neal said he wishes the county would look into its own reverse 911 service.

Newcom said he would like to provide that service, but the fiscal court doesn't currently have the thousands of dollars it would take to contract services like CodeRED.

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payments in the amount of \$150 per month.

■ Upon request by public defender Paul Sysol, bond was reduced to \$500 cash from \$1,700 cash on suspect Laura Jean Wallhead, 29, of Marion. Wallhead is accused of third-degree burglary, theft and third-degree criminal mischief for allegedly breaking into the 88 Dip restaurant and taking about \$1,700 worth of cash, coins and checks.

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